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Ramo-Wooldridge
Los Angeles, California

Gentlemen:

Recently we received from our auditors a list of purchase orders which were made without recourse to competitive bids.

The urgency of this program is recognized by all parties concerned, and there is no desire on our part to delay critical procurement by administrative requirements. However, every effort should be exercised, where possible, to adhere to the requirement for three competitive bids, regardless of the amount of the purchase order.

The aforementioned list furnished by the auditors was approved because of the urgency of the procurement, and covered selected purchase orders through 30 September 1956.

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